# Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District $PM_{2.5}$ Monitoring Report June 2022

This report summarizes  $PM_{2.5}$  data collected by Federal Reference Method (FRM) and Federal Equivalent Method (FEM) instruments. Measurements are reported as 24-hour averages in micro-grams per cubic meter ( $\mu g/m^3$ ). The data are subject to further quality assurance checks and are not final.

PM<sub>2.5</sub> Monthly Data Summary for May 2022

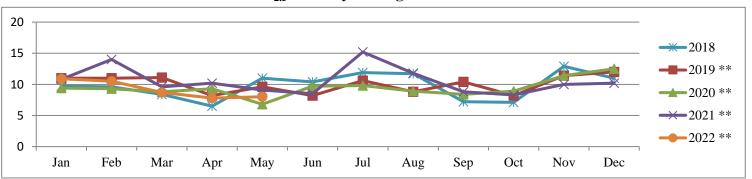
	Max	imum	Mir	nimum	Sample	Monthly
Site Name	Conc.	Date	Conc.	Date	Recovery	Average
Algonquin Parkway	17.1	5/11/22	3.7	5/8/22	93.5%	8.0
Durrett Lane	15.3	5/11/22	3.9	5/8/22	100.0%	8.3
Cannons Lane	14.1	5/11/22	3.3	5/8/22	100.0%	7.4
Watson Lane	16.1	5/11/22	5.0	5/27/22	100.0%	8.5
Overall	17.1	5/11/22	3.3	5/8/22	98.4%	8.0

# PM<sub>2.5</sub> Monthly Averages Tracking Table for 2012-2022

													Months
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	>Annual Standard
2012	8.9	9.5	9.2	7.2	11.7	10.9	12.5	11.9	8.6	7.3	13.1	9.6	0
2013*	10.5	10.0	8.5	7.6	8.8	11.6	10.1	12.7	11.9	9.3	7.2	10.7	0
2014	7.5	14.3	11.7	9.6	10.7	14.0	16.4	13.6	9.9	7.9	9.8	12.4	1
2015	10.9	11.0	11.3	6.9	10.2	10.1	13.1	10.0	9.7	7.5	8.5	7.7	0
2016	8.9	9.5	6.4	7.1	7.1	8.5	7.4	8.9	9.3	8.1	11.3	9.3	0
2017	7.7	8.1	6.6	5.8	7.2	6.7	11.3	9.3	8.5	6.8	10.5	10.7	0
2018	9.7	9.6	8.4	6.5	11.0	10.4	11.9	11.7	7.2	7.1	12.9	11.0	1
2019 **	11	11.0	11.1	8.2	9.6	8.2	10.6	8.8	10.4	8.2	11.4	12.0	0
2020 **	9.4	9.3	8.8	9.3	6.8	9.7	9.8	8.9	8.4	8.9	11.4	12.5	1
2021 **	10.8	14.0	9.6	10.2	9.1	8.5	15.2	11.8	8.8	8.3	10.0	10.2	2
2022 **	10.9	10.5	8.7	7.8	8.0								0
Average	9.7	10.6	9.1	7.8	10.3	9.9	11.8	10.8	9.3	7.9	10.6	10.6	

<sup>\*</sup>The new PM<sub>2.5</sub> standard of 12  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup> became effective on March 18, 2013

# PM<sub>2.5</sub> Monthly Averages 5-Year Trend



<sup>\*\*</sup> Data from continuous FEM Instruments

#### **National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS):**

National Ambient Air Quality Standards consist of primary and secondary standards. The primary standards define levels of air quality which EPA judges are necessary, with an adequate margin of safety, to protect the public health. The secondary standards define levels of air quality which EPA judges necessary to protect the public welfare from any known or anticipated adverse effects of a pollutant. For PM<sub>2.5</sub> the levels of the primary and secondary standards are the same.

## National Ambient Air Quality Standard for PM<sub>2.5</sub> - Annual Standard:

The annual standard is designed to provide an appropriate level of protection from long-term exposure to  $PM_{2.5}$ . The standard is met when the annual design value is less than or equal to  $12 \mu g/m^3$ . The standard changed from  $15 \mu g/m^3$  to  $12 \mu g/m^3$  on March 18, 2013. The annual design value is calculated by averaging the annual means of 3 consecutive complete years of air quality data. The table below compares data collected from 2016 through year-to-date 2022 to the  $PM_{2.5}$  annual standard.

PM<sub>2.5</sub> Annual Means and Annual Design Values

		A	nnual	Mean	s μg/m	<sup>3</sup>		Annual Design Values					
Site Name	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022	
Algonquin	8.3	8.3	9.5	10.2	9.3	10.2	8.3	8.7	9.3	9.6	9.9	9.3	
Durrett Lane	9.2	8.9	10.2	10.4	9.7	11.2	9.9	9.4	9.8	10.1	10.4	10.3	
Cannons Lane	7.9	7.9	9.1	9.6	9.2	9.9	8.3	8.3	8.8	9.3	9.6	9.2	
Watson Lane	8.4	8.1	10.5	10.0	9.6	10.6	9.5	9.0	9.6	10.1	10.1	9.9	

Bold: Design value for Louisville

## National Ambient Air Quality Standard for PM<sub>2.5</sub> - 24-Hour (Daily) Standard:

The 24-hour standard is designed to provide an appropriate level of protection from short-term exposure to  $PM_{2.5}$ . The standard is met when the 24-hour design value is less than or equal to 35  $\mu$ g/m³. The design value is based on 3 consecutive complete years of air quality data and is calculated by taking the average of the 98<sup>th</sup> percentile value for each of the 3 years. The 98<sup>th</sup> percentile value is the 24-hour average out of a year of  $PM_{2.5}$  monitoring data below which 98 percent of all 24-hour averages fall. The table below compares data collected from 2016 through year-to-date 2022 to the 24-hour standard for  $PM_{2.5}$ .

PM<sub>2.5</sub> Annual 98<sup>th</sup> Percentiles and 24-Hour Design Values

	Aı	nnual 9	98 <sup>th</sup> Per	rcentil	le Valı	1e μg/1	n <sup>3</sup>	24-Hour Design Values					
Site Name	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022	
Algonquin	17.0	17.8	23.0	20.2	18.9	26.0	16.3	19.3	20.3	20.7	21.7	20.4	
Durrett Lane	18.7	20.7	24.7	22.9	22.4	28.3	19.2	21.4	22.8	23.3	24.5	23.3	
Cannons Lane	18.7	17.2	22.2	20.5	20.6	26.1	15.1	19.4	20.0	21.1	22.4	20.6	
Watson Lane	16.2	17.7	24.3	21.4	21.3	27.2	21.7	19.4	21.1	22.3	23.3	23.4	

**Bold:** Design value for Louisville

# Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District 8-Hour Ozone Monitoring Report June 2022

This report summarizes ozone data collected by Automated Equivalent Method (AEM) ozone analyzers located within the Louisville Metropolitian Statistical Area. Measurements are reported as 8-hour averages in partsper-billion (ppb). The data are subject to further quality assurance checks and are not final.

2022 8-Hour Ozone Maximum Values and Exceedances through June 8th

		County KY
03/05/22 0 0 NA NA 55.7 49.3 56.2	55.8	55.5
04/28/22 0 0 51.1 50.5 49.5 54.0 52.4	50.1	52.0
05/15/22 0 0 61.5 56.7 67.3 53.1 69.3	61.0	54.0
05/17/22 0 0 54.8 56.8 57.5 57.8 59.6	55.3	59.7
06/03/22 0 0 60.6 60.8 61.1 64.5 64.1	61.7	56.6
06/04/22 1 1 64.1 61.8 69.5 67.5 <b>71.7</b>	67.3	68.3
06/05/22 0 0 59.0 62.6 55.5 59.0 61.1	57.8	59.6
Total Exceeds 1 1 0 0 0 0 1	0	0
Truncated 4th Maximum	0	0

Values in **BOLD/RED** exceed the level of the 2015 ozone standard of 70 ppb (parts-per-billion).

This standard applies to air monitoring data beginning with the 2016 ozone season.

NA - Indicates data were not available.

#### 8-Hour Ozone Exceedances:

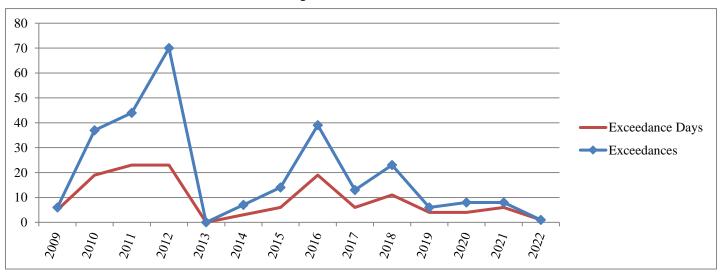
The National Ambient Air Quality Standard for ozone is measured as an 8-hour average. An ozone exceedance occurs when the highest 8-hour average for each day is greater than the NAAQS. The NAAQS was lowered from 80 ppb to 75 ppb in 2007 and from 75 ppb to 70 ppb in 2016. The data below lists the number of exceedances based on the NAAQS at the time the data was collected.

2009-2022 8-Hour Ozone Exceedance Summary through June 8th

Year	town Albany Carri-		Watson	WLKY& Cannons Lane	Buckner	Shepherds- ville	Louisville Total		Jefferson County Total		
			thers		Lanc			Exceedances	Days	Exceedances	Days
2009	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	6	5	6	5
2010	4	2	3	3	15	8	2	37	19	21	15
2011	6	5	6	5	8	13	1	44	23	19	14
2012	8	13	7	11	13	14	4	70	23	31	17
2013	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2014	1	2	0	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	3
2015	3	0	4	1	4	2	0	14	6	9	5
2016	7	6	5	3	14	3	1	39	19	22	16
2017	1	5	1	1	4	1	0	13	6	6	4
2018	4	5	3	2	6	1	2	23	11	11	8
2019	1	0	2	0	2	1	0	6	4	4	2
2020	0	1	1	1	4	0	1	8	4	6	4
2021	0	0	4	1	1	1	1	8	6	6	5
2022	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1

<sup>\*</sup> Cannons Lane replaced WLKY in 2010. Data through 2009 are from WLKY.

### **Historical Graph of 8-Hour Ozone Exceedances**



<sup>\*</sup> Carrithers replaced Bates in 2018. Data through 2017 are from Bates.

#### National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Ozone - 8-Hour Standard:

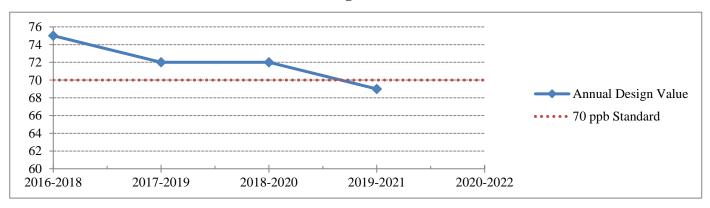
Attainment of the 8-hour standard for ozone at an individual monitor is achieved when the three-year average of the annual fourth-highest daily maximum (4<sup>th</sup> maximum) 8-hour average ozone concentration is less than 71 ppb. This three-year average is the design value for that monitor. The Louisville MSA row represents the largest 4<sup>th</sup> maximum and design value\* for all monitors within the MSA.

8-Hour Ozone 4<sup>th</sup> Maximums and Design Values through June 9th

			4 <sup>th</sup> N	<b>Aaxim</b>	ums			8-Hour Design Values				
Site Name	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Charlestown	73	68	71	64	63	63		70	67	66	63	
New Albany	73	74	73	63	66	64		73	70	67	64	
Bates/Carrithers	73	65	70	64	68	73		69	66	67	68	
Watson Lane	70	66	69	65	63	67		68	66	65	65	
Cannons Lane	76	72	77	68	71	69		75	72	72	69	
Buckner	69	64	69	65	61	65		67	66	65	63	
Shepherdsville	67	63	68	63	65	65		66	64	65	64	
Louisville MSA	76	74	77	68	71	73	#N/A	75	72	72	69	#N/A

<sup>\*</sup> Design Value calculations are approximations based on preliminary summary data and may differ from official design value calculations

## 8-Hour Ozone Design Value Trend Chart



# Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District Air Monitoring Report for Sulfur Dioxide $(SO_2)$ June 2022

On June 2, 2010, EPA strengthened the primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for SO<sub>2</sub>. Specifically, EPA replaced the existing annual (30 ppb) and 24-hour (140 ppb) primary standards with a new 1-hour standard set at 75 ppb. The 1-hour standard was set to better protect public health by reducing exposure to high short-term concentrations of SO<sub>2</sub>. The new standard took effect August 23, 2010.

### Exceedances of the 1-Hour SO<sub>2</sub> Standard:

An exceedance occurs when a measured 1-hour average is greater than 75 ppb. Since up to twenty-four 1-hour averages are recorded each day, multiple exceedances may occur in one day. However, only the maximum 1-hour average (Daily Max) for each day is used in determining if the area is in compliance with the standard. The table below indicates the number of exceedances and the daily maximums reported thus far this year. The data are subject to further quality assurance checks and are not final.

SO<sub>2</sub> Daily Maximums and Exceedances through May 31st

	Algonquin Parkway			on Lane entary		ns Lane Core		Albany iana
Date	Exceeds	Daily Max	Exceeds	Daily Max	Exceeds	Daily Max	Exceeds	Daily Max
01/16/22		3.2		3.6		5.2		NA
01/23/22		1.1		5.0		5.8		NA
01/26/22		0.6		5.7		0.7		NA
02/07/22		2.3		1.5		10.5		NA
02/28/22		0.9		10.0		8.1		NA
03/01/22		1.6		4.6		7.6		NA
03/17/22		1.4		8.0		1.9		NA
03/21/22		4.0		0.5		1.8		NA
03/30/22		1.4		0.7		1.4		2.0
04/08/22		1.8		5.2		2.0		0.0
04/14/22		1.2		3.9		6.1		0.0
04/15/22		4.2		3.2		5.2		3.0
05/10/22		3.8		1.7		1.3		0.0
05/15/22		1.8		9.7		4.4		0.0
05/18/22		1.8		1.3		7.6		0.0
05/21/22		1.6		9.9		5.2		0.0
05/31/22		0.9		8.9		2.3		1.0
Totals/Max	0	4.2	0	10.0	0	10.5	0	3.0
99 <sup>th</sup> Percentile		4.0		9.9		8.1		2.0

NA - Indicates data were not available

# Attainment of the SO<sub>2</sub> Standard:

Attainment of the new standard is achieved when the 3-year average of the 99<sup>th</sup> percentile annual distribution of the daily maxima is less than or equal to 75 ppb. Since this value can be calculated from historical data, the table below indicates those values based on 2016-2022 data.

SO<sub>2</sub> Annual 99<sup>th</sup> Percentiles and Annual Design Values

		Annu	al 99 <sup>th</sup>	Perce	ntiles	(ppb)		Annual Design Values				
Site Name	2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2						2022	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Watson Lane	26	14	16	15	15	13	10	19	15	15	14	12
Algonquin	16	11	12	6	5	4	4	13	10	8	5	4
Cannons Lane	8	7	8	9	8	9	8	8	8	8	9	8
New Albany	11	8	9	7	4	4	2	9	8	7	5	3

<sup>\*</sup> Design Value calculations are approximations based on preliminary summary data and may differ from official design value calculations